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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—
(a) & (b) A note[a] containing the information is placed on the table of the House."

House-sites for the Harijans of Nagireddi thota in Nellore town.

* 459 Q.—SRI K. SHANMUGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Harijan residents of Nagireddi thota in Nellore town have been granted house-sites; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons for the delay in doing so?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given on the floor of the House to Legislative Assembly Question No. 165 (680) by Sri S. Vemayya, M.L.A., on 25th March 1953, in respect of residents of Muthyalapalem otherwise known as Nagireddi thota.

" S. No. 529/A-1 of Nellore town was suggested as the alternative site, but the Harijans expressed their unwillingness to take it up. The Collector, therefore, dropped further action in the matter."

The Budameru Diversion Scheme.

* 460 Q.—SRI T. POTHA RAJU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representation from the public requesting the Government to take up the Budameru Diversion Scheme this year; and

(b) whether the Government have completed the investigation of the above scheme; and if so, whether any report has been submitted by the concerned officers?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) Yes.

" (b) The proposal is under investigation; the latter part of the question does not arise."

Cash aid to cyclone-damaged house-owners in certain taluks in Pudukkottai division.

* 461 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the expenditure incurred by Government in granting cash aid to cyclone-damaged house-owners in (1) Kolathur taluk, (2) Alangudi taluk and (3) Tirumayam taluk of Pudukkottai division, Tiruchirappalli district; and

(b) the amount disbursed as loans to meet the damage to agriculturists?

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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a). The following amounts were granted as cash aid to the cyclone-damaged house-owners in the three taluks referred to :—

	RS.
Alangudi	97,940
Tirumayam	660
Kolathur	64,835

This includes a sum of Rs. 2,000 granted to *each* of the taluks of Alangudi and Kolathur from the Madras State Cyclone Relief Fund.

" (b) No loan has been granted to the agriculturists who were affected by the cyclone in these three taluks to re-build their houses. But a sum of Rs. 1,20,000 was placed at the disposal of the District Agricultural Officer for grant of interest-free loans to the agriculturists for the purchase of manure and seeds. The ryots affected by the cyclone were also benefited by the grant of such loans."

House-sites for the Harijans of Valluripalli Agraharam, Tadepalligudem taluk.

* 462 *Q.*—SRI M. RAJESWARA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Harijans of Valluripalli Agraharam, Tadepalligudem taluk, West Godavari district, deposited with the Government an advance sum of Rs. 890 on 4th April 1943 and 14th March 1948 towards the cost of acquisition of house-sites for them;

(*b*) why the acquisition has not been taken up though 11 years have elapsed since sanction orders were issued by the Collector on 16th October 1942;

(*c*) whether money was paid back to the Harijans; and

(*d*) if the money was not paid back, the reasons for the same?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) A sum of Rs. 860 was deposited in two instalments in 1943 and 1948.

" (*b*) The acquisition was deferred for the duration of the war and is being taken up this year under the five-year programme of acquisition followed in the district.

" (*c*) & (*d*) No. Though the Harijans were told in 1943 that acquisition was deferred for the duration of the war and they might apply for refund, they did not do so. The acquisition proposals are pending, and would be pushed through this year."